

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
ABINGDON DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	
	:	
v.	:	Case Nos. 1:21CR23
	:	
RALPH THOMAS REACH	:	In violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 331(k),
	:	333(a)(1), and 353(b)(1)

INFORMATION
(MISDEMEANOR)

COUNT ONE

The United States Attorney charges that:


1. During the relevant time periods of this information, RALPH THOMAS REACH was an owner of and practiced as a physician at Watauga Recovery Centers at various locations in the Western District of Virginia and Northeast Tennessee.

2. On or about the dates set forth below, in the Western District of Virginia and elsewhere, RALPH THOMAS REACH induced the below-listed prescription drugs (Schedule III controlled substances) to be dispensed without valid prescriptions by the actions of health care providers at Watauga Recovery Centers, resulting in the drugs being misbranded while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce:

DATE	PATIENT	DRUG	QUANTITY
5/2/2016	E.W.	Suboxone	10
5/2/2016	K.K.	Suboxone	28
5/9/2016	E.W.	Suboxone	14
5/9/2016	J.M.	Suboxone	42
5/16/2016	C.R.	Suboxone	70
5/16/2016	E.W.	Suboxone	28
5/16/2016	H.R.	Suboxone	32
5/16/2016	K.K.	Suboxone	28

3. All in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 331(k), 333(a)(1), and 353(b)(1) and Title 18, United States Code, Section 2.

DATED: March 29, 2023.

 for

 CHRISTOPHER R. KAVANAUGH
 United States Attorney